

**THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY OF THE CIVIL CITY OF NEW ALBANY, INDIANA, HELD ITS REGULAR MEETING ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2006 IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOM ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF THE CITY-COUNTY BUILDING.**

**PRESENT:** Chas Hunter, Matt Denison, Chief of Police Merl Harl, Traffic Division Supervisor Officer Joe Lewis, Fire Chief Ron Toran, Deputy Fire Chief Stanley Mason, Street Dept Director Chuck Simons, City Clerk Marcey Wisman, Flood Control Director Ron Granger, Building Commissioner Ron Hartman, Controller Kay Garry, and Animal Shelter Director David Hall.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

**Mr. Hunter called the meeting to order at 10:02 p.m.**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Kay Garry** presented the claims for the time period of 10/20/06 to 11/20/06 for a total of \$2,670,714.15. She stated that the departments are doing very good at keeping their expenses down.

**Mr. Denison moved to approve, Mr. Hunter second, all voted in favor.**

**Item #1 - Jason Lopp re: represents businesses Charlestown Rd area dealing with road closure for Northside Christian Church on Sundays**

**Chief Harl** stated that he spoke to Mr. Lopp who is the attorney that represents the businesses out by Northside Christian Church and that they are very upset that the police officers are directing traffic away from their businesses during the heavy traffic times on Sundays or when there are events at the church. He asked who came up for the plan on directing traffic. Chief Harl explained to him that there is no set plan by the City. That the officers who direct the traffic are working on their own time.

**Item #2 - American Prescription Assistance re: solicitors Permit**

**Steve Yount**, American prescription Assistance, reported that they have a business that helps people get lower cost medications and free medications. They would like to pass out flyers door to door regarding their business.

**Mr. Hunter** stated that he didn't see a problem with this but that he would like to take this under advisement and would take action on this next Tuesday.

**Item #3 - Michelle Brayden re; St. Mary's banner and street closing**

**Mrs. Brayden** approached the board regarding the St. Mary's summer festival. Her first request was for a banner permit with the banner being hung from May 29<sup>th</sup> until June 18<sup>th</sup>. Her second request was for the closing of 8<sup>th</sup> street from Elm to Spring the weekend of June 14.

**Mr. Denison made a motion to approve, Mr. Hunter second, all voted in favor.**

**Item #4 - Kelly Hornung re: Walk-a-Thon for St. Mary's school on December 20<sup>th</sup> from 1-2:30 pm**

**Ms. Wisman** reported that Kelly Hornung from St. Mary's would like to hold a walk-a-thon with the children and requested that they have help from the police department getting the kids across the street at 8<sup>th</sup> and Spring and 6<sup>th</sup> and Main.

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**Chief Harl** stated that this wouldn't be a problem.

**Mr. Denison moved to approve, Mr. Hunter second, all voted in favor.**

**Item #5 - Roger Thompson re: Hot Dog Stand going in at Indiana Court and Hausfelt Lane (Industrial Park Area) 10am-2pm Mon-Fri. after winter.**

**Mr. Thompson** stated that he would like to get a hot dog stand and sell hot dogs at the Industrial Park and he wants to find out what he would need to do to get set up. He stated that he does not have the stand yet he was just checking on everything before he bought it.

**The board explained to him that it would depend on whether or not he would be on city property or privately owned property and whether or not he could get a permit from the Health Department as to how this would need to be handled. They asked him to determine where he would be setting up and get information from the Health Department and then come back to them.**

**Item #6 - Joe Lewis for Bethel AME Church, 315 E. 5<sup>th</sup>, re: request for Handicap sign**

**Officer Lewis** reported that he received a phone call requesting a handicap sign in front of the church at 315 E. 5<sup>th</sup> Street. He recommended that it be approved.

**Mr. Denison moved to approve, Mr. Hunter second, all voted in favor.**

**Item #7 - Marcey Wisman re: Holiday Homecoming**

**Ms. Wisman** reported that Holiday Homecoming would be her soon and that she needed to get approval to close Pearl Street between Market and Main on November 24 from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. She also stated that she would need help moving the bleachers and the picnic tables into place and volunteers to help serve the food.

**There was a lengthy discussion regarding the moving of the bleachers and tables and how it was done the year before.**

**Mr. Denison moved to approve the street closing, Mr. Hunter second, all voted in favor.**

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Item #8 - Tom Shellenburg re: Mt. Tabor Road changes**

**Mr. Schellenburg**, Jacobi, Toombs and Lanz, presented changes that need to be made in the Mt. Tabor Road project. He reported that there needs to be a retaining wall in front of Dr. Farree's office because the grade has changed substantially from when they first planned the road work. It will cost an additional \$9,125.00. He also reported that they needed to make changes to the slope of Kim Maymon's drive for a cost of \$13,400. Gary Wacker requested that they extend the retaining wall in front of his property that has to be installed due to the water line not being installed deep enough. The last change was to Rick Conway's property he needs to change the easement for the drainage line due to the property owner previously changing the line.

**There was a lengthy discussion about the needed changes.**

**Mr. Denison moved to approve all the changes, Mr. Hunter second, all voted in favor.**

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**Mr. Schellenburg** gave an up-date on the closure of the street. He said that the contractor would like to open the street for through traffic the day before Thanksgiving and close it again after the New Year to finish what they have not completed. He went on to explain that they want to close the section in front of the tax preparer in April and he is getting complaints from them because this is tax time and complaints from the nursery because that is his busy season. He didn't know if the board could do anything to get them to keep the first phase closed until they complete the job.

**There was a lengthy discussion regarding the problems that this could cause.**

**Mr. Schellenburg** stated that the city would need to apply for electricity for the street lights to be installed and he did not know who to contact for that.

**Mr. Hunter** asked if that is something that needs to be done right now.

**Mr. Schellenburg** stated that it did not.

**The board decided to handle this matter at a later date when they had more information on the project.**

**COMMUNICATIONS - CITY OFFICIALS:**

**Chief Toran** reported that at the end of Vincennes and Dory Street there have been some tires dumped and the street department needs to pick them up.

**Mr. Simons** stated that he would look into that.

**COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC:**

**BIDS:**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Mr. Denison** moved to approve the minutes for October 17 and 24, Mr. Hunter second, all voted in favor.

**ADJOURN:**

**There being no further business to go before the board, the meeting adjourned at 10:58 a.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

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**Chas Hunter, President Pro Tem  
Board of Public Works & Safety**

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**Marcey Wisman, City Clerk  
Civil City of New Albany, Indiana**

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